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COMMEMORATION OF THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Letter dated 15 September 1995 from the Permanent Representative of South Africa to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to inform you that the Parliament of South Africa adopted the appended resolution on 13 September 1995, in respect of the fiftieth anniversary of the United Nations (see annex).

I would be grateful for the present letter and the text of the resolution to be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly under item 29 of the provisional agenda.

(Signed) K. J. JELE
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

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ANNEX

Resolution on the fiftieth anniversary of the United Nations adopted on 13 September 1995 by the Parliament of South Africa

That the house, noting that -

1. 1995 marks the fiftieth anniversary of the United Nations;

2. During this period the United Nations has done much to promote global peace and human progress in often difficult circumstances;

and

3. The United Nations played a prominent role in the struggle against apartheid and hence contributed significantly to the emergence of democracy in our own country,

extends its warmest congratulations to the Secretary-General of the United Nations on the occasion of its fiftieth anniversary and assures the Secretary-General and other Members of the United Nations that our new democratic country intends, within the limitations of the resources at our disposal, to play a full and active role in this important organization.

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ASSISTANCE IN MINE CLEARANCE

Letter dated 18 September 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to inform you that in the course of the debate in the International Meeting on Mine Clearance that took place at Geneva from 5 to 7 July 1995 a statement was made by the Egyptian delegate to the effect that prior to its evacuation of the Sinai Peninsula Israel had not provided Egypt with the relevant maps indicating the location of minefields in the evacuated areas.

I wish to bring to your attention that Israel has taken up the matter with the Government of Egypt and following those contacts Israel was assured that the contents and the spirit of the statement made at Geneva did not reflect the position of the Government of Egypt, and that Egypt had no grievance, in that respect, towards the Government of Israel.

It should be further stressed that Israel had acted on the issue of mine clearance in the Sinai in accordance with article 6 (4) of annex 1 of the Peace Treaty between Israel and Egypt.

I would be grateful if you could circulate the present letter as a document of the General Assembly under item 46 of the provisional agenda.

(Signed) Gad YAACOBI
Ambassador
Permanent Representative of Israel
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